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## POWER PLANT HAS WEEK'S SUPPLY COAL

Washington Officials Appealed to Today  
by Superintendent Belden of The  
Rockingham Light & Power Co.

"Unless a cargo of coal arrives here on Saturday the big plant of the Rockingham County Light and Power Co. will have to close down," reads a message to the Herald from President D. A. Belden. Mr. Belden feels it his duty to inform the local public of the exact situation. The company has coal enough to last until Saturday or Sunday. In addition the barge Tacoma in tow of the tug Staples left Hampton Roads on Sunday with 1500 tons and with fair weather she will arrive here in time. This will tide the company over another three weeks.

There would have been no shortage just how had it not been for barge No. 10 being put out of service at Providence and her cargo discharged there. With the arrival of the cargo on the way the relief may only be temporary. Mr. Frank A. Belden is in Washington today with New England Administrator James J. Storrow in an effort to secure government aid. Ex-Gov. Floyd is co-operating. If the company is obliged to close it will affect many trolley lines in Massachusetts, Dover and Rochester, the big ship building plant and many other industries.

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### THE WEATHER

Forecast for Portsmouth and vicinity—Fair and continued cold tonight and Tuesday. Cloudy and probably snow Wednesday.

By far the largest and best selected stock of Christmas cards, calendars, etc., ever shown in this city is to be found at Montgomery's.

## GERMANS ATTACK ENGLISH CONVOY

One British and Five Neutral  
Merchantmen, a Destroyer  
and Four Mine Sweep-  
ers Are Sunk.

(By Associated Press)  
London, Dec. 17.—One British and five neutral merchantmen, a British destroyer and four mine sweepers have been sunk in the North Sea by German naval forces as the result of an attack upon a convoy bound from Scotland to Norway. Sir Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, announced today. The total tonnage of the lost merchantmen was eight thousand.

## WILL NOT RECONSIDER WAR TAX BILL

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 17.—There will be no general reconsideration of the war tax bill this session of congress, Chairman Simmons of the finance committee announced today during an attack upon the measure by several Republican senators. He declared that the bill was not perfect and added that to correct the inconsistencies some legislation would be required.

## COMMUNICATION IS LACKING

(By Associated Press)  
Petrograd, Dec. 17.—Ambassador Francis in his report today, said communication in the interior of Russia is almost impossible. The ambassador stated that the American consuls could not get in touch with Petrograd. The result is that he cannot get authentic reports from the various factions.

## SITUATION IS UNCHANGED

(By Associated Press)  
Petrograd, Dec. 17.—The situation of the new regime in Russia remains unchanged. The policy of recognizing the de facto government is being urged on the country. The effect of the armistice is making itself felt.

## HINT AT SENSATION IN VARNEY TRIAL

Attorney for Defence Says a New Face  
May Appear in the Defendants Place

Dorham, Mass., Dec. 17.—The closing argument of the defense was given today in the famous Varney trial. The attorney for the defense gave a scathing denunciation of a certain person alleging he brought Miss Varney to her downfall. The attorney stated that before Miss Varney met Keyes her reputation was beyond reproach. In his summing up of the case the attorney for Miss Varney said that in view of the evidence introduced last week that a new face might occupy the defendant's place and the present one be freed from the charge. He was very emphatic on this point, but did not mention a person and left it to be conjectured. The evidence he referred to was brought out when it was stated that Keyes' clerk, Jackson, purchased the revolver that ended Mrs. Keyes' life. It is expected that the case will be given to the jury tonight and that the judge will charge the jury. A great deal of interest is being manifested as the case has a sensational turn.

## WILL APPEAL TO MINERS

Will Be Asked to Forego Usual Christmas Holidays, As It Will Mean Curtailment of Production

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 17.—To keep coal production at a maximum, Federal Food Administrator Garfield is preparing to appeal to operators and miners to forego their usual Christmas and New Year's holidays. Every idle day in the mines costs the country nearly two million tons of fuel. Authority to shut down industries if necessary to supply householders with coal was granted to W. K. Prudden, federal fuel administrator from Michigan. Many Michigan cities are said to be almost entirely without sufficient supply for domestic needs.

## CHRISTMAS WILL BE A HOLIDAY

For American Soldier Boys in  
France as Result of  
Pershing's Orders.

(By Associated Press)  
With the American Army in France, Dec. 17.—General John J. Pershing, commander-in-chief of the American forces in France, in general orders issued today, proclaimed Christmas and New Year's day holidays. The orders said that no work is to be performed on the two holidays unless absolutely essential.

## GERMANS MAY FINANCE BOLSHEVIKI

(By Associated Press)  
Petrograd, Dec. 17.—One effect of the armistice between the Russian faction and the German army would in all probability be the financing of the Bolsheviki government by Germany with paper notes.

## CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT

Conference, Dec. 17.—State President Jeremiah J. Crowley of the Ancient Order of Hibernians returned from Washington Saturday night, where he went to attend a conference of fraternal organization representatives, called by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo. Mr. Crowley and Grand Master Abraham L. Garmon of the New Hampshire Masons were the only men from this state at the conference.

Both were represented to President Wilson and Mr. Crowley had a most pleasant talk with the President in which he assured him of the hearty co-operation of New Hampshire Hibernians in the war work.

The President assured Mr. Crowley of his entire confidence in the loyalty and patriotism of the Hibernians, not only of New Hampshire but throughout the country and said that their support gave him inspiration to grapple with the tremendous problems that were to be met. Mr. Crowley was with a party of about 15 fraternal organization representatives, presented to the President on the second day of the conference and the small number, as compared with the larger delegation of the first day, afforded the President more time to give to his guests.

The conference had to do with the promotion of future Liberty Bond issues and the war thrift savings movement. It was the unanimous opinion of the conferees that holders of Liberty Bonds who placed them up for sale on the stock exchange at a price below par, were unpatriotic. If the bonds were sold the owners should insist that they receive at least what they paid for them, any other course favoring of giving aid and comfort to the enemy.

## AGED WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

(By Associated Press)  
Concord, Dec. 17.—Hattie M. Wyeth, aged 70, was burned to death this morning in the house on Laurel street on which she lived alone. The fire, which started from an overturned lamp was extinguished by the firemen with no great damage to the house.

Howard L. Swala who has been at Camp Devens and recently at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., has been transferred to his former position at the Black Pump Works at East Cambridge. He is now in the enlisted reserve service, but will continue duties with the firm. The transfer was made at the request of the firm which desired his services. He went into ser-

## GERMANY CLAIMS LARGE NUMBER OF PRISONERS

Berne, Dec. 17.—The Berliner Tageblatt, just received here says: "According to figures given out by the war office, the total number of prisoners held by Germany in consequence of our successes in Italy exceeds now 2,000,000. This figure does not include prisoners exchanged or in quarantine or those held by our allies."

## REPRESENTATIVE ABERDEEN ENLISTS IN ARMY

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative John C. Aberdeen of South Dakota enlisted today in the regular army as a private. He was accepted and assigned to Camp Meade. He did not resign his place in the house of representatives.

In a letter from Lieut. Philip Griffin, from somewhere in France, received Saturday, he states that he is now in an officers training camp and he enjoys the work very much.

## TERMS OF ARMISTICE ARE KNOWN

(By Associated Press)  
Northern Front, Dec. 17.—The terms of the armistice became known today between the Russian troops and the German general staff.

No transfer of troops can be made until January 14th. No increase can be made on islands in the Moon Sound district; no naval engagements can take place in the Black Sea or the Baltic from 15 degrees longitude to the Arctic.

Troops of both sides are allowed communication and may exchange articles such as newspapers, tobacco, etc. The hours of intercourse between troops are stated in the report, from sunrise to sunset.

## WILL GET REGULAR UNIFORMS

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary of War Baker has announced that he has authorized the New York state authorities to equip the new national guard with the regimental army uniform, provided purchases were made through the war industrial board, Council of National Defense.

## HAWAIIAN CONCERT

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## MAY BE UNABLE TO GET HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

**Railroads Believed to Be Unable to Care for 20,000 Who Will Leave Camp Devens.**

Camp Devens, Ayer, Dec. 17.—The prospect of a happy Christmas home-going for soldiers at Camp Devens, which was so bright when headquarters announced a four-day leave more than a week ago, was clouded today by news that the railroads may find it impossible to provide special trains to carry away the thousands Saturday afternoon.

Both the railroads and the War Department have frowned recently on the abnormal demands for special train accommodations for draftees over week ends and holidays, and the information today is that these trains are not to be provided for men who desire to leave Ayer Saturday noon, if the original Christmas leave order is still in force. This order said that 80 per cent of the men might be absent from camp from noon Dec. 22, to revolve Dec. 23. Some organization officers were considering a plan to allow half their outfits a two-day leave and the remaining half a leave for the other two days, which might help solve the transportation problem.

But to turn out nearly 20,000 rookies Saturday noon to find accommodations on the regularly scheduled trains would mean a tremendous tax on the railroads.

At Thanksgiving time great efforts were made by the railroads, officers and outside organizations to provide every possible chance for the men to get home. Special trains ran in all

directions from Ayer Junction the afternoon before the holiday.

But this, it was understood, was such a great strain on the railroads that they have not recovered fully from the effects of the holiday soldier rush. The Christmas rush is normally so widespread that to add the National Army burden would present an almost impossible task.

Besides this unwelcome news there is the more disheartening situation for many companies which are quarantined for measles. The outfits in the 302d Field Artillery, except Battery F, are under quarantine, with the prospect of the ban being removed only for Batteries A and E, which have been longest under quarantine. This is a Vermont and Connecticut outfit.

In the 303d Heavy Artillery, the Maine and New Hampshire regiment, only Battery F and the supply company have escaped measles. Other batteries have posted signs on barracks reading: "Quarantined—German Measles," taking an apparent grim delight in laying something very unpleasant to the Germans.

In these two regiments, hit hardest just at present, there is little standing between them and regimental quarantine, which would be a relief, because then men might mingle among their own regimental comrades more freely. At present the quarantined men stay by themselves. Col. A. S. Conklin of the 302d has issued strict orders requiring men of one squadron to keep out of other squadrons and to eat in separate parts of the messroom.

Measles is one of the things that spreads mysteriously apparently, and this colonel is trying to take what precautions are possible. All quarantined outfits are taking extra doses of fresh air, and bedding is being aired daily.

The men who have been called for the new draft to go to Portland harbor, will all be fitted out with sweaters, helmets and wristers by the work room committee of the Red Cross.

Snow shoeing and skiing is the popular sport at the present time. It is an ideal condition for both.

## WILL TRAIN THOUSANDS FOR MERCHANTMEN

Washington, Dec. 17.—Completion of plans for training 58,000 men to man merchant vessels under construction for the government were announced by the shipping board. The men will be schooled for the most part aboard training ships operating out of (2) Atlantic ports.

Two of the training vessels to accommodate 600 men each, already have been selected and others will be put into service as fast as they can be obtained. Instruction will be by able seamen.

The men will be recruited throughout the country and while in school will be allowed \$30 a month, board and clothing. Men without seafaring experience will be accepted.

## KITTERY

Kittery, Dec. 17.—Word has been received by relatives in town of the death of Mrs. Mary Dunsell of North Berwick.

The regular Red Cross sewing meeting will be held as usual on Wednesday afternoon at Odd Fellows' hall. At 3 o'clock Mrs. J. Amoureux will give a report of the Red Cross conference in Boston last Friday. An invitation is extended to all interested in the work of the Red Cross.

Kittery Grange holds a regular monthly meeting at Odd Fellows' hall on Thursday evening. Election of officers will take place at this meeting. Judge Aaron B. Cole was a visitor in Portland last week on business.

Every night this week at 7 o'clock a blast on the Kittery fire alarm will tell the number of new Red Cross members gained during the present drive. There will be one long blast, this followed by the number of new members. Mrs. Howard Amee of Portsmouth,

who has been ill at the Portsmouth hospital, has sufficiently recovered to return to her home.

A. M. Martin of North Kittery, who suffered a shock early last week, still remains in a critical condition.

The first union service under the new order was held Sunday morning at the Government street vestry, with a large attendance. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Carl L. Nichols.

Miss Gertrude Livermore of Elliot passed Sunday with friends in town.

Mrs. Blanche Hall of Kittery Depot passed Saturday in Haverhill with relatives.

Miss Mattie Spinney was a visitor in Dover on Saturday.

Mrs. Roy Philbrick of Otis avenue is passing a week with relatives in Portland.

Miss Hilda Caswell of North Kittery passed the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Selwyn Caswell of Pine street.

Riverside Lodge of Odd Fellows will hold a regular meeting tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Baker of Kittery Point visited relatives here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fuller are moving from Portsmouth to the Jackson house on Rogers road.

Willis Thomas of Government street has been restricted to the house the past few days with a severe cold.

Mrs. Ida Marshall, who has been in York during the illness of her brother, passed the week-end here and in Portsmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gerry of Love lane passed Saturday in Dover.

The Kittery Associated Bible Students desire to acknowledge the generosity of the Allied Theatres Co., of Portsmouth for the free use of the Olympia Theatre for a public lecture last Sunday.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Mr. F. J. Knight of Kittery has reopened his blacksmith shop and is prepared to do shoeing and jobbing.

## AT BUGRUE'S

One and a half pounds best bread, 13c.

## ELIOT

Eliot, Dec. 17.—Owing to the scarcity of fuel the William Fogg Memorial library will be open on Wednesday afternoon and evening only until further notice.

The Pascataqua Congregational club will hold its quarterly meeting and banquet at South Berwick next Friday. A number from here will attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Spencer of Newfields, N. H., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Foss on Sunday.

At the last regular grange meeting the following candidates for officers for the ensuing year were nominated:

Master—Mrs. Chester Spinney.  
Chaplain—Mrs. H. B. Libbey.  
Overseer—Mrs. H. Livermore.  
Steward—Mrs. Raymond Clark.  
Asst. Steward—Mrs. Charles Drake.  
Lady Assistant Steward—Gertrude Livermore.

Gate Keeper—Emma Hammond.  
Lecturer—Mrs. James Cress.  
Treasurer—Mrs. W. Eldridge.  
Secretary—Mrs. Anderson.  
Flora—Mrs. John Hillhouse.

Cores—Helen Smith.  
Pomona—Mary Hayward.  
Plantist—Alice Toboy.

Chorister—Mrs. C. Bartlett.  
Remember the Ladies' Minstrel show at Grange hall Tuesday evening. Give them a liberal patronage.

Irving Davis was a visitor in Somersworth recently.

J. W. Davis has been restricted to his home the past week with an attack of rheumatism.

Horton Paul who has been employed in Providence, R. I., for a year or more has enlisted in the coast guard. He passed the examination at Portland last week.

Miss Helen Staples has been clerk in the Woolworth store, Portsmouth since the high school was closed on account of a pupil there being sick with scarlet fever.

Raymond Cole enlisted at Dover one day last week and was sent to Portland.

The W. C. T. U. which was to have met with Miss Nellie Libbey last Friday was postponed and will occur next Friday.

The Ladies' Circle connected with the Advent church will meet with Mrs. Robert T. Staples Thursday afternoon.

The weekly holiness meeting will be held at the home of Eugene S. Pajl. Rev. L. N. Fogg of Haverhill will be in charge.

Mr. Edward Sullivan of Malden, Mass., was in town recently.

The high school opened Monday for one week and the children are to have two week's recess after the holidays.

It is said that fully two-thirds of the street railroad boys are registered at the navy yard and if they should all be called by the government the road would be completely tied up.

The Ladies' Circle held their annual sale at the Congregational church vestry Wednesday evening. Many useful articles were disposed of and nearly 100 sat down to a bountiful supper of beans, brown bread, salads, pies, cakes, doughnuts and coffee.

The W. O. T. U. will give an entertainment on Friday evening, Dec. 21 at the South Eliot Methodist vestry. It will be on the patriotic order.

Ex-Mayor E. H. Adams of Portsmouth will give an oration, A. Harvey Knight, a reading, and patriotic songs will add interest to the occasion. No admission fee will be charged but a collection will be taken.

Read the Wray Ad.

## LAURIER OPPOSES BORDEN IN CANADA

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—With selective conscription as the great issue, the voters of Canada will decide today whether the new union government of Sir Robert Borden shall remain in office, or whether Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the veteran leader of the liberal opposition, shall be restored to power.

The campaign which has just ended is considered the most important as well as the most bitterly contested in the history of the Dominion.

There are approximately 2,300,000 electors, of whom about 250,000 are soldiers overseas. The military vote already has been cast in camps and trenches in almost every quarter of the world.

Prime Minister Borden and his supporters are standing squarely on the conscription issue and apparently they have no fear of the result. They maintain that the soldier vote and that of the women relatives of men in the service will be cast almost solidly for them. They have contended in their campaign that defeat for the Union government would mean that Canada must drop out of the war for lack of men to keep her fighting forces up to the necessary strength.

Sir Wilfrid, in a vigorous and picturesque campaign, has joined issue with Sir Robert's contention. As an alternative to the compulsory conscription law as it now stands, he has proposed a referendum.

If the result of such a referendum were favorable to compulsory service, he has pledged himself to abide by the decision of the electors.

If the contrary were the result he would revert to voluntary service.

The Liberal leaders have asserted that under their leadership the province of Quebec, which thus far has offered comparatively few soldiers to the service of the Dominion, would provide more volunteers than could be enlisted by conscription.

They professed tonight to believe that as the result of the election they will have a majority of 25 seats in Parliament.

## KITTERY POINT

Kittery Point, Dec. 17.—A very interesting service was held at the First Christian church on Sunday when the Rev. R. A. Kenyon spoke. His talk was in the interest of soldiers in cantonments and matters in connection with the towns adjacent to these camps.

A union service was held at the Baptist church on Sunday evening. Rev. B. W. Cummings was the speaker.

The Willing Workers will hold their Christmas tree on Friday afternoon with Mrs. Florence Lewis at her home on the Harbor road.

A rehearsal for the Christmas music of the First Christian church will be held this evening at the home of Miss Bertha Emery of Tenney Hill.

Mrs. Ray Witham left on Sunday to visit relatives in Boston for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Follett Gerrish who have been ill for several weeks are both slowly improving.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will be omitted this week.

Thurston Patch and William Bowden have concluded their services on the tug Mitchell Davis and have taken employment with Captain Hoyt.

Mrs. Charles P. Morrell left today to spend the holidays at the home of her parents in Spruce Head, Me.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the Congregational church will be entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. George Gunnison at the Community House.

Mrs. Fred P. Chase is recovering from a fall she sustained by slipping on the ice, confining her to her home for a week.

Captain T. B. Hoyt arrived from Newburyport, Mass., on Saturday in charge of the tug boat Monomack, which he has chartered to do the towing in the Portsmouth harbor.

Tramp Academy students are canvassing the town securing Red Cross members.

## EXETER

Exeter, Dec. 17.—The first Christmas festivity was held Saturday evening in the academy chapel when a Christmas concert was held. The program consisted of recitations by James P. Webber of the faculty, and Roy W. Shrewsbury, instructor of music, gave selections. Mr. Webber recited from Milton, Kipling and Dickens, carols were sung by the academy students and selections furnished by a quartet of students.

Several of the churches will hold Christmas sales this week and some have been held. The Helping Hand of the Advent church will hold its sale at the store of Harry Williams on Water street on Tuesday. The Good Cheer club, composed of young ladies at the West End, will this year distribute gifts to the children, but the usual tree in the main street house will be omitted.

Thomas Mott Osborne, lieutenant commander of the naval prison at Portsmouth, scheduled to speak at the union patriotic services at the Franklin Street Congregational church last evening was unable to be present.

Leaving Portsmouth Sunday by automobile he arrived at Exeter and was obliged to go back on account of the condition of the New Hampshire roads.

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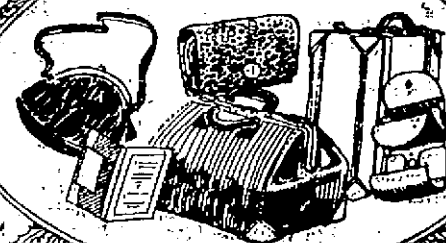
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Key Purses... 25c and 50c  
Handkerchief Cases... \$1-\$5  
Card Bibles... 50c-\$1.00  
Military Brushes, 50c-\$1.50  
Clothes Brushes, 35c-\$1.25  
Tobacco Pouches... 50c  
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# 17 AMERICANS PRISONERS

Were from the Railroad Engineers and Have Been Missing Since Nov. 30

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 16.—Seventeen enlisted men of the railroad engineers are missing since Nov. 30, the date of the last movement of the Ger-

mans at Cambrai and Gen. Pershing reports that they were probably taken prisoners. There were two New Englanders in the party, Harold T. Andrews of Portland and Alphonse J. Murnay of Chestnut Hill, Mass.

## SERVICE FLAG AT BAPTIST CHURCH

There was a patriotic service at the Middle street Baptist church on Sunday evening which was very interesting.

The occasion was the unveiling of a service flag with the stars for the members of the parish who are at the front of the army or navy. The flag was presented to the church by the Golden Rule Circle Kings Daughters.

There was a large attendance at the service which, after the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, opened with the presentation of the flag by Mrs. Arthur T. Smith, the president of the Kings Daughters. The flag was unveiled down over the pulpit and it was accepted by Rev. Mr. Stanley, the pastor.

A pretty feature was the unveiling of each star by some representative of the family of the man in the service as the names were read.

Secretary W. M. Forgrave of the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. delivered a good address and R. A. Kenyon of the Red Cross Commission also spoke of the war and the work of the commission.

The services closed with singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and benediction by the pastor.

The following are the men for whom stars have been placed on the flag:

Lieutenant W. P. Becker, U. S. M. C., Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Lieutenant George W. Coram, 9th Co., C. A. G., Springfield, Mass.  
Charles Dinton, Co. D, 101st Engineers, A. E. F., via New York.

C. Colgate Fish, Battery A, 303 H.

E. A., Camp Devens, Mass.

Hugh Hill, U. S. N., U. S. S. Hannibal, care Postmaster, New York.

Willis H. Hoyt, Co. 4, 1st Battalion, Depot Brigade, Camp Devens, Mass.

George H. Jones, U. S. N., U. S. S. Raleigh, care Postmaster, New York.

Paul H. Lewis, Co. A, 14th Engineers, A. E. F., via New York.

Ralph MacDonald, U. S. N. R. P., School for Ensigns, Cambridge, Mass.

Lieutenant W. G. Martin, Aero Corps, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Charles A. O'Hara, U. S. N., U. S. S. Leonidas, Navy Yard, Portsmouth.

Philip Dulton, U. S. N. R. F., U. S. S. Estrella, Navy Yard, Portsmouth.

Henry Sossiville, U. S. N., Chief Master at Arms, U. S. S. Martha Washington, care Postmaster, New York.

Lieutenant W. H. Stevens, U. S. M. C., 10th Co., 6th Regt. U. S. Marines, care Postmaster, New York.

Lieutenant J. K. Wilson, Hg. Div. Am. Train, Motor Section, A. E. F., via New York.

P. R. Wise, U. S. N., Navy Yard, Portsmouth.

## MEANS FOUND NOT GUILTY

Concord, N. C., Dec. 16.—Gaston B. Means was found not guilty of the murder of Mrs. Maud King by a jury here tonight. Mrs. King was shot while riding with Means, and he claimed that they were engaged in a pistol practice when she accidentally shot herself. The state claims that Means spent large sums of Mrs. King's money and shot her to save himself.

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## COAL SHORTAGE IN THIS STATE THREATENED

### Fuel Administrators Meet at Manchester to Consider Situation

Fuel Administrator Charles M. Floyd caused a veritable sensation Saturday at a meeting of members of fuel committees and others throughout the state, which he had called at the Derry field club, Manchester, when he outlined to them the exact conditions in New Hampshire as regards the fuel situation, and showed them that the shortage is actual and not theoretical, and that in order that the industries of the state may be kept moving and the people be kept warm there must be an increase of the fuel supply. The only way the fuel supply can be increased with certainty is to use wood as far as possible for fuel; to expect much amelioration of the coal situation is out of the question.

New Hampshire produces wood but not coal, and it is not a question of cost or convenience—if the people are to be kept warm they must conserve their coal and use as much wood as possible.

To the meeting were invited all the members of the fuel committees throughout the state, including county agents and state forestry officials, members of the committee on public safety, etc. Notwithstanding the rough day about thirty people assembled. Every county was represented except Carroll. Every man present had something to say, and something new. Innumerable suggestions were made as to procedure. It was made clear that the chances of making up the existing coal shortage is negligible.

The shortage will grow worse if any thing, and is destined to continue throughout the war. The only hope for New Hampshire seems to lie in two directions—first in extreme economy in the use of coal and secondly a substitution of wood as far as possible for coal. New Hampshire produces wood and can in a measure control the supply.

The fuel administration will carry on an intensive campaign for economy, together with a campaign for the increased production of wood and the marketing of it at a price within the reach of the average consumer. The only way apparently to bring wood into the market at a reasonable price is through voluntary organizations of public-spirited men who are willing to use their capital at a small return. Profits must be eliminated. The national movement of "cut-a-cord-of-wood" is being worked out in this state, under the state fuel administration, with the co-operation of committees in every city and town in New Hampshire.

Letters will be sent out to all the high schools in the state, asking the principals and the students to cut at least two cords of wood during the Christmas vacation. Other letters to the clergy asking them to suggest to their congregations to help in the wood cutting movement will also be sent out.

Fuel Administrator Floyd said the coal situation was serious in many of the smaller towns, and it is imperative that the residents learn to use more wood. As it is impossible to get coal to the small towns, the fuel administrator suggests that wood be used entirely as fuel in the homes.

In five towns the boards of trade have raised money to finance a wood cutting proposition, selling the wood at cost. The former governor says community woodlots owned and operated by residents of the different cities and towns, would solve the fuel problem better than anything known for relieving conditions yet suggested. He said that the Nashua community woodlot was being worked out successfully and other cities and towns in the state would do well to follow the lead taken by that city.

Mr. Floyd left Sunday evening for Washington to attend a meeting of the fuel administration.

Mr. Shurtleff reports that the Lancaster citizens and members of the board of trade have arranged to take 10 cords of wood that the neighboring farmers will bring in at a fixed and reasonable price, and that the wood is coming in because of this guarantee. What is needed in each community

is that a few patriotic citizens

shall take in hand the local situation. The Claremont board of trade has appropriated \$1,000 to start similar beneficial relations between producer and consumer. Other towns are doing likewise. The county agents reported the farmers willing to co-operate to meet a public need just as soon as it is made clear to them that the need exists, and that a definite price will be paid for the wood cut.

The following are among the conclusions reached by the meeting:

"That all classes of people must cut their own wood as far as possible.

"That public citizens or boards of trade in every community should engage in co-operative cutting, and establish municipal wood yards, or similar exchanges.

"That the fact of shortage should be widely advertised and that citizens should provide for another winter that will surely see a situation as bad as the present and perhaps worse."

Those present:

There were present among others: A. L. Pritch of the Claremont board of trade, Col. Albert N. Dow and George B. Hyde of Exeter, W. E. Price of the Lisbon fuel committee, Merrill Shurtleff, chairman in Lancaster, H. B. Jackson, chairman in Lebanon, H. Clinton Taylor, chairman in Portsmouth, James P. Whitney and Walter P. Norton, chairman in Nashua, Judge Oscar L. Young, chairman of Laconia, R. J. McLean, Plymouth, S. A. Lovejoy, Milford and the following county agents representing their several farm bureaus: Carl A. Smith of Manchester, L. B. Robinson, Manchester, E. A. Plamburgh of Rochester, S.

L. Darling of Keene and M. C. Wilson

leader of the county agents, Durham. There were present Professor Karl Woodward of the Forestry department at Durham, Philip W. Ayers of the Society for Protection of Forests, Austin F. Hawes of the United States department of agriculture, Reed Paige Clark, secretary of the state fuel administration, E. M. Clark of North Haverhill, Benjamin Ayers of Concord, William J. Starr and H. E. Clayton of the state committee.

North Hampton, Dec. 16.—At the Christmas church last Wednesday afternoon and evening the ladies of the parish held a very successful sale and entertainment. A good attendance was present and enjoyed the fine entertainment both afternoon and evening; the readings given by Miss Hill of Boston were exceptionally fine. The annual sale is proving a financial success as well and this year approximately \$70,000 was added to the church treasury.

The local Jr. C. U. A. M. is to present a mock trial in Centennial hall on Wednesday evening, December 19. There are about 20 in the cast and it will be an hour of fun for old and young. This great kidnapping and the breach of promise case is to be tried before a select jury consisting of all nationalities. Two of the ablest lawyers of our town will have charge of this case and the balm for a wounded heart will be rendered by a mirth provoking decision. Biogell and Thorpe will furnish music for the dancing and there will be tables for the whilst playing arranged about the hall.

Mrs. George Jewell was the delegate from the Red Cross Auxiliary Thursday. At the meeting on December 29 at the Town hall she will tell of her trip and what she heard of interest. Let as many as possible be present at that meeting.

At the next grange meeting, special fun will be enjoyed by all present, as each member will present a feature in the surprise line. Each member will want to attend to this duty as all who go without some line of entertainment will be treated in a humiliating manner by those who do their bit. Each member is requested to bring a five cent present to donate to Santa Claus' pack. Pop corn will be served. One of the most interesting food demonstrations will be held at the Town hall on Saturday. Corn meal

was the subject and Miss Emerson gave a splendid talk on the war and the food problem and made corn meal into most delicate mush and cake. We wish more of the women of the town would attend these demonstrations and help save a little food and learn to substitute other things in place of flour, sugar and fat.

Chauncey Barton has gone to Santa Fe, N. M., for the winter.

J. Allen Fenwick has gone to the annual meeting of the state grange which is being held in Concord.

The Congregational Sunday school has decided to hold Christmas exercises on Sunday evening preceding Christmas day, and the program will be entitled, "White Gifts for the King." All gifts this year will be brought and donated to the starving children of Armenia. Anyone who does not come to this Sunday school regularly can contribute to the worthy cause by sending their gifts by their friends who do attend. Or better still make a special effort and be present and enjoy the service by taking part and contributing at the same time.

A fine piece of carriage making testifying to the excellent workmanship of the local wheelwright and carriage builder, Frank A. Marston, has been on exhibition at Mr. Marston's shop the past week. It was a pony car built for Mr. Bradley of Syracuse, N. Y. It was made of the best ash wood possible and the leather mountings were of the best Russian calf possible to buy. The neatness of this car was truly remarkable and we feel proud that such a unique production was made in North Hampton.

Sunday morning the temperature at seven o'clock was seven below zero. It moderated considerably Sunday and last night it was more reasonable.

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## A LETTER FROM SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE

In a letter from Lieut. J. K. Wilson, U. S. A., from somewhere in France, received this past week by Rev. W. P. Stanley, he states that he is with Col. Munroe, who was formerly in command of the Fort in the lower harbor, and he is serving as adjutant. His letter is very interesting, showing that the American forces are fast getting into the fighting. He reports that they had a very pleasant Thanksgiving with a dinner like they would get at home, turkey with all of the fixings. He also states that in the village where they are billeted there is a Salvation Army hut, but no Y. M. C. A. hut but that the hut does the work similar to the Y. M. C. A.

Lieut. Wilson was the regular army instructor for the local First Company Coast Artillery, then a first sergeant, but with the opening of war he was given a commission as first lieutenant in the army.

## CANDIDATE DECLINES OFFER

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Organized Charities was held on Sunday afternoon, as a letter had been received from Miss Scheele of Redding, declining the offer of the general secretaryship of the local organization to succeed Mrs. Hull who has resigned to take a state position. She finds that the health of her mother is such that she will be unable to leave Redding so declines the offer.

President Chaney was authorized to appoint a committee to secure a secretary.

Service flags are beginning to appear in different parts of the city. All of the clubs have them and many private residences are also flying them. The Middle street Baptist church is the latest to unfurl a service flag.



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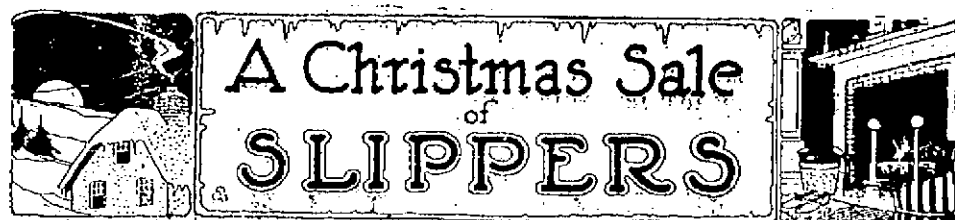
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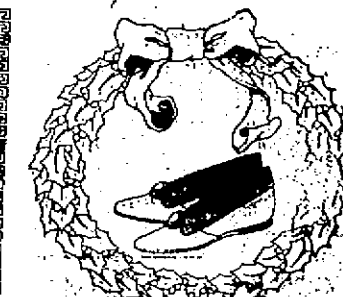


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Portsmouth, N. H., Monday, December 17, 1917.

Stand by Home Institutions.

As published in the news columns of this paper a few days ago, there are numerous communities whose various charities are suffering from the lack of adequate support. This condition is attributed, and without doubt correctly, to the vast sums that have been put into Liberty bonds, the Red Cross and other war work. There has been drive after drive for great funds for carrying on the work of the war, and to these the people in all parts of the country have responded with the most gratifying liberality. The money has been or will be put to the best uses, and that the people have met the demands upon them so generously is cause for pride and satisfaction, and not for regret.

In view of what has been done along these lines, and taking into consideration the exceptionally high cost of living, it is not strange that there are many individuals and families who find it about all they can do to keep even during these cold winter months. Many have subscribed and given until it hurts and are now inclined to take in sail, financially speaking.

And this is all right in its way. The government is urging the people to practice economy to the limit, and the closest economy is in order, for the last of the calls for war funds has not yet been received. There are more to come, and they will keep coming until the great struggle for right is ended, and ended right.

But to allow home charities to suffer from the lack of proper support is not economy, and any community that does this makes a grievous mistake. The institutions and organizations that make for the betterment of community life must be maintained if institutions and services that are worth more than money are not to be impaired.

For this reason it behooves every city and town to see to it that its charitable institutions are not weakened by neglect at a time when the demands upon the people are admittedly trying. The present is, as the governor of a great state has said, "a time of sacrifice"; a time when the people must not attempt to measure the extent of their efforts by the usual standards.

We must give, and give, and give, and keep on giving and subscribing until the storm is past. The world is in the throes of the most tremendous struggle in human history and the United States must and will do its part. But the people must not ignore or neglect their home interests, which are now as pressing as ever, and in many cases even more so because of the great strain upon the nation as a whole. Every institution and organization working for community welfare must be adequately sustained if civilization is not to suffer at home while we are fighting for it abroad.

There is nothing of the slacker in former Congressman Gardner of Massachusetts, who resigned his office to enter the service and has now relinquished a colonelcy in a training camp and accepted a commission as major in order to get into active service. That is the kind of stuff that real patriots are made of.

A large number of the soldiers at Ayer are in quarantine because of an outbreak of measles in the camp and will thus be prevented from spending Christmas at home. It is hard luck, but the boys may be trusted to stand it with the philosophy and courage of soldiers.

The first shot in a recent engagement on the Piave was fired by an American congressman, who touched the big gun off by pulling a string. And how natural it all sounds. As if congressmen were not in the habit of working their heaviest artillery by "pulling strings."

Eight of the White House picketers who were recently imprisoned are suing for damages in the sum of \$50,000 each. It will trouble them to prove damages, but in the suits there will be a little more notoriety, such as it is.

If women are to be the rejuvenating influence in politics that is predicated there is hope for the Democratic party in New York, whose state committee has decided to take on 15 women members.

People are now learning what war bread is. And many have already made up their minds that they will be well satisfied if they never have to eat anything worse.

Rising prices and a falling mercury make a disagreeable team, but it is the kind that New England has been riding behind of late, much to the discomfort of the "proletariat."

Congress is preparing to speed up the war program. It is time for it.

## CHRISTMAS IN A PRISON CAMP

Unique Service Held at a Y. M. C. A. Hut in Russia.

The following is an interesting story of how a Catholic priest and a Lutheran pastor joined in a union Christmas service for prisoners of war in a Y. M. C. A. hut in a Russian prison camp. The story by George M. Day, prison camp secretary, is reprinted from the Christmas number of "Association Men."

"Yes, I give you my permission to hold a Christmas union service. I will order a barracks cleared and cleaned. One of the soldiers will be detailed to cut the Christmas tree and I'll see what can be done about improving the prisoners' food for that day." So spoke the generous-hearted Russian commandant of the war prison camp not far distant from Kiev. We had been discussing plans for the prisoners' Christmas.

A Catholic priest and a Lutheran pastor, both Russian subjects, came out from Kiev, and at our request conducted a joint service for the prisoners on Christmas eve. Nearly two thousand prisoners had jammed into that cold and dimly lighted barracks for the service. At one end in front of the home made altar glistened the Christmas tree which had been decorated by prisoners.

Never did the Catholic mass seem so majestic and impressive, and full of meaning, as it did that night when the Polish priest, with feeling read the liturgy before the sea of upturned faces. And when the Lutheran pastor followed with a Christmas message straight from the heart full of hope and comfort, one could hear stifled sobs from all over the room. But when the orchestra provided by the association broke gently into the strains of the wonderfully beloved melody which is sung in every home throughout the Central Powers on Christmas Eve, "Heilige Nacht, Stille Nacht," hundreds of rugged and bronzed faces streamed with tears as with far-away looks they tried to sing.

The most beautiful feature of the service was the share the Russians had in it. These Red Cross nurses, or as we love to call them in Russia, the Red Cross Sisters of Mercy, made their contribution to the prisoners' Christmas by sewing and ironing the altar cloth for the Roman Catholic altar. And at the close of the service the commandant distributed the simple presents which he had procured for the occasion—several hundred pairs of warm mittens, intended especially for prisoners who had to work out of doors, then many pairs of socks and several gross of towels and handkerchiefs. And on the next day with the co-operation of the commandant we added to the meagre fare by contributing black coffee and white bread enough for every prisoner in camp to have some for both dinner and supper.

During the brief hour of that union Christmas service all hatred, all thoughts of the war were forgotten; friend and foe, Austrian, German and Russian alike felt the power, the warmth and the blessed peace of Christmas. For one brief hour, brotherhood, human kindness and divine love held sway. And the next day when hundreds of those prisoners took train for more permanent concentration camps in Siberia, their hearts still glowed with warm memories of that union Christmas service.

When he heard of this service the archbishop of the Roman Catholic church in Petrograd not only gave us his blessing but when I told him of the vestments and chalice which an association at Tomsk required for a

prisoner's priest, the archbishop willingly furnished everything and bade us God speed.

## I WONDER

Why some of the male residents and business men of the city don't make themselves a Christmas present of a snow shovel and clean off their sidewalks?

Why the reported coal on the way to Portsmouth does not reach its destination?

If the iceboat will ever come back in Portsmouth for the winter sport?

Who the Democratic city committee will recommend for superintendent of public works?

If some of the war bread now being pushed out to the public will not do more to start a war than it will to help to end or win one?

Why the government don't purchase a sleigh for the quartermaster's department and not compel a pair of horses to drag supplies on wheels in a cart which four horses would have all they could do to move?

What use electric lights are at night in the Haven and Goodwin parks?

When the Ward 5 recount will be called?

If all the candidates for health inspector have been lined up?

If some of the drivers about town know what a horse blanket looks like?

What the paper mill people are really going to do with the plant at Freeman's Point?

Why some dealers of tobacco are collecting the extra cent war tax and others are not?

## PEOPLES' OPINIONS.

### Needs Inspection

Let us hope that when the new city council is organized and gets down to business, that as a body they will inspect the several fire stations as is customary in other cities, to see what improvements could be made for the good of the service. They should select some day when the thermometer is hovering around zero and should inspect that cold storage plant on Court street where men are on duty 21 out of 24 hours with all the windows closed to breathe the foul air, and where a gas stove has to be placed under the steamer to keep the water in the boiler and pumps from freezing. A new central station should come this next year.

OBSERVER.

Portsmouth, December 17.

## AN APPEAL TO FELLOW WORKMEN

The series of meetings being held by Carpenters & Joiners Union, No. 521, will close with the Rally to be held at Labor hall, Freeman's Block, Tuesday evening, Dec. 18, 1917, at 8 o'clock.

The privilege of joining at the reduced initiation fee will stop with this meeting. The interest so far taken in this movement is very encouraging, yet there remains a large number of our craft still on the outside.

Your enrollment in the union will be the surest means of bettering conditions for the craft as a whole.

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The Christmas spirit and the Red Cross spirit have much in common. You can't keep Christmas more appropriately or more effectively this year than by keeping up the Red Cross. Pay your dollar TODAY. Wear the 1918 button. Watch for and take part in the Red Cross Christmas Eve ceremonies.

Send a Christmas Dollar  
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## THE FIRST NURSING BOTTLE

Possibly a hollow gourd constituted the first baby's feeding bottle.

Torn from its parent tree its edible interior would have found its way to the stomach of its adult picker, after which the hollow shell would be filled with milk or other liquid refreshment for the satisfaction of the infant. In tropical countries, again, the coconut would constitute a natural feeding bottle, already filled with the necessary nourishment.

Without, however, indulging in speculation of this kind it may be noted that the archaic vase room at the British museum contains specimens of feeding bottles—"tittines," archaeologists call them—dating back to between six and seven hundred years before Christ.

These very early babies' bottles are usually popular in shape, are elaborately decorated and are covered with small knobs which, it is conjectured, were used to hang tiny bells upon. In short, the feeding bottle of those days was also a rattle and a picture book combined.

## NAVY YARD NOTES

**Total Collection**  
The total collection for the Halifax fund among the yard employees has reached \$1030.

**Injured at Fire**  
Privates Deltloff and Bell of the marine guard, formerly stationed at the Portsmouth navy yard, now at Boston, were recently injured while extinguishing a fire at the Charlestown station. Both were removed to the naval hospital at Chelsea.

**Enlistments in the Navy**  
Total enlisted men, December 12, 159,263; net gain, December 12, 1,245; total enlisted men December 12, 160,508.

**Kittery Boys Join the Ranks**  
Robert H. Witham, Harry Le Roy and Arthur J. Pruett of Kittery, have enlisted in the navy. Harold M. LaValley of Kittery Depot has become a member of the regular army.

**Portsmouth Boy Promoted.**  
Surgeon Robert E. Hoyt, U. S. N., of this city, has been appointed medical inspector in the department of surgery and medicine.

**Operators' Examination.**  
An examination for the position of

telephone operator will be held at 10 o'clock on Dec. 22, to fill the three vacancies existing in the telephone office at the Charlestown navy yard. The pay is \$2.24 per diem. Both women and men will be admitted to take this examination, but only men will be certified to fill the specified positions.

**Seventeen in the Call.**  
The labor board of the local yard issued a call for 15 shipfitter's helpers and 2 laborers on Saturday for the industrial department.

**Want Skilled Artisans.**  
Carpenters, shipfitters, blacksmiths and coppersmiths are wanted at once to enroll in the first naval district. The Navy Department at Washington has notified Commander George G. Mitchell, enrolling officer of the district, whose headquarters are at the Charlestown navy yard, to enroll all the mechanics of either of these classes he can get and to lose no time. Those of the draft age will be obliged to bring from

their exemption boards of their district a note stating that they are no law in the list that they are not liable to be drafted for some time.

## REMEMBER THIS?

Interesting Data Concerning the Weather in 1888-9.

This account, taken from an old diary, may be true. The writer doesn't care to risk a personal opinion. Here it is:  
From Dec. 10 to Jan. 6, 1889-90, the weather this winter was warm as in September. There is no sign of snow. Christmas day you could have the windows open with comfort. A local paper says that the oldest inhabitants are scratching their heads to think when we had a winter similar.

The Herald wants every reader to join its big booster club.

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## RAILROAD NOTES

One of the local switching crews of the Boston and Maine were ordered out on Sunday for emergency work in moving a car of coal to the navy yard.

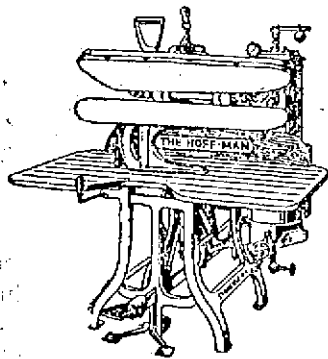
Several extra freight trains were run between Boston and Portsmouth after the Portland division on Sunday to move the large amount of freight on the yard sidetracks at the

several stations.  
The Boston and Maine will take off several short line passenger runs on the main line and branches on Christmas day. In many cases through trains will make two stops on this account.

### FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Charles H. Otis will be held from the home on the Banfield road Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited.

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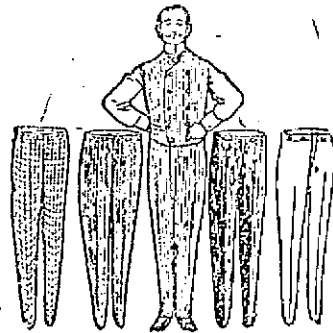
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## K. OF P. HOLD CONVENTION AT FRANKLIN

Franklin, Dec. 17.—The zone convention held for the fifth zone of the Knights of Pythias of New Hampshire with St. Andrew's Lodge was an event of great interest with the fraternity in the several towns constituting the fifth zone. Eight lodges were represented and officers of the grand lodge were present. The convention was under the direction of Judge A. Chester Clark of Concord, the grand outer guard, who is the deputy of the fifth zone. The program was in the following order:

The grand lodge officers present included G. C. James Marshall of Dover; G. V. C. J. Warren Titton of Exeter; G. K. of R. and S. Charles M. Dorson of Dover; G. M. of E. John G. McQuilken of Concord; G. L. C. W. H. L. Denborn; O. G. A. Chester Clark.

### WILL SPEAK TO TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES

Illustrated Lecture on "Telling the Public" to Be Given By Wm. C. Bamburgh.

Employees of the local New England Telephone and Telegraph company will gather in Association hall on Thursday night, the 20th instant, to hear a talk on "Telling the Public" given by William C. Bamburgh of the publicity department of the company. The talk will be given with about one hundred lantern slides showing the operation of the telephone service and the many intricate parts of the central offices which are unknown to the users of the service.

A wider knowledge of the manner of making telephone connections and what equipment there is between two persons when talking, undoubtedly inspires users with a kinder feeling toward the employees who are concerned in making the connections and that knowledge also helps to put the smile into the voices of those who are speaking to friends or business associates. It is believed that many employees of the company are unacquainted with the efforts to create a better and genuine understanding between them and the public and that such information as Mr. Bamburgh will give them will be of value in both their daily work and their relations to subscribers and the general public, which here in Portsmouth alone, uses the telephone about 22,000 times every day.

The lecture will be given under the auspices of the local employees and many from other nearby towns have been invited to participate in the meeting. Mr. Bamburgh will be introduced by Manager E. H. Drew of the local exchange.

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Susan E. Bryant.

Mrs. Susan E. Bryant died at the home of her son, John Bryant, today, aged 92 years. She was born Oct. 9, 1825. She was next to youngest daughter of David and Betsy (Ayer) Gilman, descendant of the oldest family in Portsmouth, N. H. Her great-grandfather was Col. David Gilman of Revolutionary fame, who moved from Pembroke to Portsmouth, N. H., a century ago, and was one of the first committee to found the Congregational church of that town. Mrs. Bryant leaves two sons, John and Edward Bryant of this city, and four grandchildren. The funeral will be held from the home of her son, John Bryant, 50 Bartlett street, Wednesday at 1:30 o'clock. Friends invited. Please omit flowers.

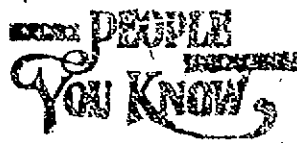
### SMALLPOX AT CAMP MIEGS

Washington, Dec. 17.—The training camp of the mechanical units of the Quartermaster's Corps at Camp Meigs here, was virtually under quarantine today with three smallpox cases. Medical officers did not regard this situation as serious or threatening an epidemic.

### ENOUGH OBSERVERS FOR AVIATION WORK

Lieutenant Lester Watson of the Aeronautical Department of the Northeast has received notice from Washington that no further applica-

tions for aerial observers would be received and that applicants under thirty years of age, June 5, 1917, would not be accepted for the non-flying section. Applications for the non-flying section will be received from men over thirty.



Thomas Donovan passed Sunday in Boston.

F. A. Jones was a Boston visitor on Saturday.

William Ward passed Sunday in Boston with friends.

Raymond Cole of Eliot has enlisted in the regular army.

National army, passed the week-end with his parents, on South street.

Mr. Arthur H. Dodge of this city has recently arrived in Paris.

Mrs. A. W. Scarborough passed Sunday in Boston with her sister.

William H. Brackett of Greenland is in Boston for a surgical operation.

Miss Emma Helen Hartford has arrived home from a Boston hospital.

Joseph Killey, son of Police Officer Michael Kelley has enlisted in the naval reserve.

George H. Carlton is enjoying a 15 days' furlough from his duties at the navy yard.

Horion Paul of Eliot has enlisted in the coast guard and has been sent to Portland, Me.

Miss Alice Griffin is convalescent from her recent operation at the Portsmouth hospital.

Robert H. Harding of Cambridge was in New Castle Sunday to attend the funeral of a relative.

Supt. Frank A. Holden of the Rockingham County Light and Power Co. is in Washington on business.

Mrs. E. W. Hartford has been in Boston for the past three days with her daughter, Emma Helen Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. Justine C. Ballou of Market street and Mrs. Wanda Williams of Kittery passed Monday in Boston.

Michael Burns who has been employed at the Morley Button Company for a number of years has enlisted in the naval reserve.

Col. H. C. Taylor, chairman of the Fuel Administration of this city, was in Manchester Saturday to attend a meeting of the fuel men of the state.

Walter Russell of St. Paul, a former Portsmouth boy, is here on a visit. He was formerly employed in theillery Twist Drill plant in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmora Blaine (Blennor Gooding) who were married in this city Dec. 7, are passing their honeymoon at White Sulphur Springs, West Va.

President John K. Bates of the New Hampshire Bankers' Association met with the executive committee of the New England Bankers in Boston Saturday evening.

Police Commissioner Frank D. Leavitt is now in the Los Angeles hospital where he underwent a surgical operation. Mrs. Leavitt left here on Sunday to be with him.

W. C. Bamburgh of the Publicity Department of the New England Telephone Company is to give an illustrated lecture on Thursday evening before the employees.

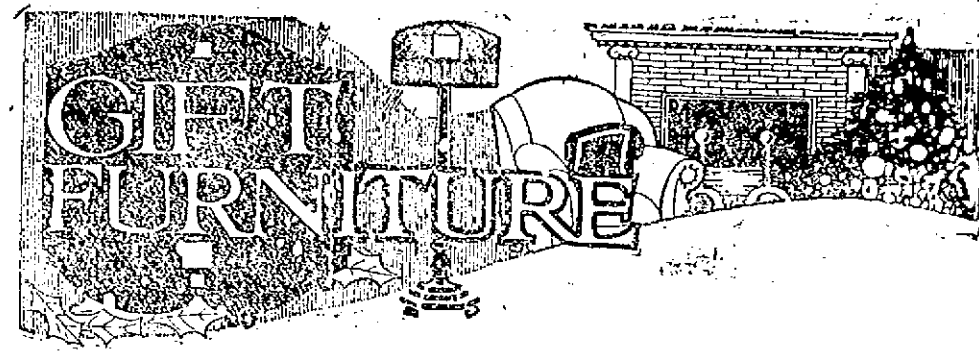
President Hopkins of Dartmouth College, is to address the Dartmouth men at this section at the First Congregational church in Rochester on Tuesday evening.

## ITALIAN FRONT QUIET

Rome, Dec. 17.—There was little fighting today between the Italian and German troops. One hostile attack was checked the official report said. The artillery was very active and would seem to indicate infantry attacks later.

### BLAMING IT ON THE KAISER

My Tuesdays are meatless.  
My Wednesdays are wheatless;  
I am getting more eatless each day.  
My home, it is heatless;  
My bed it is sheetless;  
They're all sent to the Y. M. C. A.  
The bar-rooms are treatless.  
My coffee is sweetless;  
Each day I get poorer and wiser.  
My stockings are feelless;  
My trousers are seatless;  
My how I hate the Kaiser!



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## WILL PUT EMBARGO ON COAL

Boston, Dec. 17.—The Boston and Maine railroad announced Sunday night that because of severe weather conditions and the unusually heavy movement of east bound freight, the road has been obliged to add commercial coal to the articles covered by its recently placed embargo against east bound freights in carload lots. "This embargo is only temporary," the announcement said. "There are more than seven hundred cars of such coal at the western yards of the Boston and Maine, while between the rivers and destination there are fully 2000 cars of coal in transit to New England via and on the Boston and Maine. The extreme cold and snow have worked together to slow down the handling of the rail movements, and in order that the coal now on the way to New England may not be further delayed, through an avoidable depleting up of cars, it has been thought best to leave further handling for the Boston and Maine's handling temporary."

## JUST A FEW SUGGESTION

Candy supply is sure to be limited. Liggett's, Whittman's and Fish's. Shop early.  
Cigars (standard brands), in boxes of 10, 12, 25 and 50.  
Cigarettes in Christmas wrappings, regular prices.  
Smokers' kit at \$1.50, all ready to send to the soldier boys.  
Lunch kits with Thermos bottles.  
Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens, \$2.50 up.  
Stationery, tinted and plain white.  
Playing Cards.  
White Ivory Goods.  
Perfumes and Toilet Waters.  
Perfume Atomizers.  
Hot Water Bottles make a useful gift.  
Rubber toys for the baby, 25c.

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APOTHECARIES  
Opposite the Postoffice.

## FIRE IN EXETER; LOSS \$5000

Exeter, Dec. 17.—Fire at 1 a. m. yesterday morning destroyed the barn, garage and outbuildings of Fred Eno on Tremont street. Two valuable

horses, an auto, three sleighs and other property were burned. The buildings are situated in the quickly settled part of the town. The cause has not yet been determined. The residence of Mr. Eno was saved but the furniture was badly damaged by smoke and water.

The garage of W. S. Heaslee nearby was damaged to some extent by being scorched on the outside. The fire apparatus had a hard run of about a mile in the deep snow and the firemen suffered from the frigid weather, the thermometer registering 10 degrees below zero.

Mr. Eno is the proprietor of the Exeter Brick Manufacturing company. He estimates his loss at about \$5000.



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# RUSSIANS SIGN ARMISTICE

**Takes Effect Today and to Last Until Jan. 14th. Desperate Fighting on Italian Front**

(By Associated Press)  
Notwithstanding the terrible losses they have sustained the Austro-German forces are continuing their efforts to break through the Italian northern line to get through to the plains. They have brought up more reinforcements and are making a desperate fight in the hilly country to get through, but are being repulsed.

In France and Belgium there is very little infantry activity other than

trench raids etc, but there is a heavy artillery battle going on.

The arrangements for the armistice between the Bolsheviks and the Germans have been completed and the armistice was signed today to take effect on Monday and last until January 14, and it continues then automatically, with neither side to start hostilities until seven days notice has been given. The armistice to be followed by the immediate negotiations for a separate peace.

## HENRY CLAY BARNABEE DEAD

**Famous Comedian a Native of This City, Known the Country Over**

Henry Clay Barnabee, famous in the theatrical world, the Sheriff of Nottingham in DeKoven's opera, Robin Hood, died this morning at the home of his niece in Jamaica Plain. He was eight-four years of age and a native of this city.

Mr. Barnabee was seriously injured some months ago and he was in a

serious condition at a private hospital for a long time. He however recovered so that he was able to go to his home. Despite his serious illness he retained his good humor and a newspaper reporter who a short time ago visited him, found him propped up in bed and singing "I am the Sheriff of Nottingham," with a vigor and

roundness of tone that was surprising.

The funeral will be held Tuesday

and the burial will be in this city. A number of years ago Henry Clay Barnabee was one of the most popular operatic comedians on the American stage. His career as an entertainer spanned practically all of his long life time, but his chief work was in the 30's as a leading member of the Boston Ideals, a company which became famous all over the country in the production of light opera and its successor, the Bostonians, which he helped to organize. Barnabee appeared in innumerable roles, serious as well as comic, and for two decades after the Civil War period his name was always one of the "headliners." Past 70 years of age he continued to exercise his fun-making talents in vaudeville.

"I have played the Sheriff of Nottingham" nearly nineteen hundred times," he said, recently, in recalling the phenomenal run which the Bostonians made of DeKoven's opera, Robin Hood. This role was one of the most notable in his career, and perhaps next to it his earlier appearance as Sir Joseph Porter in "Pinafore." The Boston Ideals took this up at a time when forty odd companies were touring the country to present it, outdistancing all their rivals in it, as well as the other Gilbert and Sullivan operas. Barnabee appeared in them all.

He was known to thousands through his singing of "The Cork Leg," the ballad of the merchant of Amsterdam whose patent cork leg was equipped with such perfect mechanism that it walked on and on after the old man died, carrying his skeleton. According to his own estimate, Barnabee sang this song some 5,000 times, and often as a colloquy encore gave "The Patent Arm." These two songs, together with a number of others which he gave in his "Patchwork of Song and Story," are the best remembered of many individual successes.

Barnabee was born at Portsmouth, N. H., November 14, 1823, "the day following the birth of Edwin Booth," which he regarded as "another exemplification of the fact that Altho follows close on the heels of Tragedy." Barnabee's father was then driving some high-stepping steeds which pulled the stage-coach from Boston to Portland, via Portsmouth, and later was an inn-keeper at Portsmouth.

Instead of seriously contemplating a stage career, young Barnabee set out in life as a dry good clerk. He found a position in this line first in Portsmouth, then in a big house in Boston. On the side, he indulged from the first in an amateurish display of his talents. He could tell a story, sing a song, speak a piece, and run the whole gamut of grimaces. In Boston in 1854 he became a member of the Mercantile Library Association which gave many semi-public entertainments at which several men who later became actors received their first stage training. For a number of years he was a choir singer in Boston churches. In 1865 he gave up mercantile life and made his formal debut on the concert stage in Boston, and during the next fourteen years he appeared in lyceum and entertainment courses in many parts of the country. In a book of reminiscences which he published in 1913, he recalled his training.

"If today," he said, "you were to place before me the score of Robin Hood or Pinafore, I couldn't tell for the life of me tell whether a given note was a A or G or what key it was in. At the same time I believe I could sing it correctly." He sang only by ear, so-called, which is the more remarkable when it is recalled that he appeared not only in light roles but in many of the more classical operas. He also told of his incurable case of stage fright. Of all the thousands of times he appeared on the stage, he said, there was never a time when he was not "in a state of tremor and trepidation perfectly indescribable."

At 77, his voice was still strong and sonorous, and he credited this largely to his life-long abstinence from tobacco.

Mrs. Barnabee, who was Clara George, a New Hampshire girl, and who always toured with him, died on Christmas day, 1909, only a few weeks after the couple had celebrated their Golden Wedding.

Mr. Barnabee was the son of Willis and Mary Barnabee of this city and spent the greater part of the early years of his life here. He was for several years employed as a clerk in the dry goods store of William Jones & Co., on Market street, which occupied the site where the Woolworth store is now.

On Dec. 1, 1851, Mr. Barnabee married Miss Clara George, daughter of the late Major Daniel George of Warner, N. H. He left Portsmouth in the early fifties and went to Boston where he entered the employ of the Harvey Dry Goods establishment.

Mr. Barnabee was prominent in Masonic fraternities and was also a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston.

## NEW RECORD IN SHIP BUILDING

Washington, Dec. 16.—A dispatch to the Shipping Board today told of the launching at Los Angeles of one of the new steel ships for the emergency fleet, the first of the steel ships. It was one of 8900 tons and it was laid down May 12, in the yard of the S. L. Nephthale Company and in remarkably fast time constructed. The Shipping Board are very much pleased with the work, pointing to it as an example of United States ingenuity.

## JOIN THE RED CROSS THIS WEEK

The campaign in this city along with all parts of the United States begins today for the 15,000,000 new members of the American Red Cross. The object of the drive at this time is to have the new members, so that the expense of the great work of this wonderful organization will be distributed among the greater majority of the people and to eliminate a drive for larger sums of money. In other words to secure 15,000,000 contributors at \$1.00 a year to carry on this great work, rather than a fifth as many with great sums.

The entire city will be canvassed this week. Beginning today the women who have had the city divided into sections, will each have a certain section to cover. Each woman will be provided with a certain number of buttons, which will be charged against her at \$1. per button, either to return the equivalent in money or return the buttons. In addition they will give a receipt showing membership in the Red Cross and also take the name and address to return to the captains and then back to the organization so that a complete and accurate list of the members will be secured.

All membership dues are payable at this time, and they will hold good for the year 1918, so that those people who joined the Red Cross last spring will be asked to pay their next year's dues at this time, so that there will be a uniform date when dues are payable hereafter all over the country. There is no danger of unauthorized collectors, for each person who joins on payment of \$1.00 will receive a button for 1918 and also a receipt and everybody should see that they receive the two.

The membership dues of \$1.00 are small, and everybody should be able to take out a membership either for themselves or their families, or better still where possible for themselves and their families. There is no limit to the members of families that may become members.

On Wednesday the business section will be taken over by the team captains and they will make a canvass along similar lines as the women. The city should return 3100 members, which is less than twenty-five percent of the population.

A Red Cross button with the figures 1918, shows that you are a member of the Red Cross, get busy and wear one, they will be very popular.

## OBITUARY

Dr. Frank W. Plummer.

Dr. Frank Wentworth Plummer, 48, one of Malden's leading physicians, died at his home yesterday from bronchial pneumonia.

He was a native of Portsmouth, N. H., and came to Malden with his parents when a small child. He attended the public schools, and was graduated from Malden high school in 1891, from Dartmouth College, in 1894 and from Harvard medical school in 1896. He then passed a year at the Worcester City Hospital and returned to Malden and had been in practice there since.

He was very active in Red Cross work and had given lectures on surgical dressings at the Malden hospital training school. He had served as chairman of the Malden board of medical inspectors of the public schools, and he was a member of Converse Lodge of Masons and various branches of that order, as well as the Odd Fellows, the Malden Medical Society, Middlesex South Medical Society, of which he was treasurer, and he had served as president of the Malden High School Athletic Field Corporation. He was a member of the Centre Methodist Church.

On Feb. 12, 1905, he married Miss Deborah Allen Wiggin, daughter of the late Judge Wiggin of Malden. Dr. Plummer's widow and four children, two boys and two girls, survive him. As does a brother, Arthur J. Plummer of Malden, a lawyer, and a sister, Mrs. Emma L. McDowell of that city. His parents, Selwin D. and Sarah (Wentworth) Plummer, who also are living, celebrated a few days ago the golden anniversary of their wedding.

George W. Manuel  
George W. Manuel died at the Portsmouth Hospital on Sunday forenoon, as the result of an accident at the Francis E. Drake estate on Thursday, when he was horribly burned by the explosion of a blow torch. He was so badly burned about the face that from the beginning there was little hope of his life as it was feared that he had inhaled the flames.

He was a son of Supt. and Mrs. James S. Manuel of the Drake estate at Rye Beach and only eighteen years of age. He was an exceptionally bright lad, who had a pleasing personality which made for him friends wherever he went, and on the big estate where he was employed with his father, he was a general favorite with the other employees and with the owner.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock from the home of his parents and it will be strictly private, and friends are requested to please omit flowers.

## OBSEQUIES

Clarence O. Williams

The funeral of Clarence O. Williams who died in Newark, Ohio, December 9th, was held from the home of his

parents, Capt. and Mrs. S. H. Harding in New Castle Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. I. J. Merry officiating. The following acted as bearers, Henry Becker, Oliver Marvin, I. S. Yeatman and Z. J. V. Randall. Interment was in Riverside cemetery under direction of J. Verne Wood.

Dennisen Lathrop.

The funeral of Dennisen Lathrop was held from the home at Ritters point Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. E. W. Cummings conducted the services. The remains were placed in the receiving tomb under direction of J. Verne Wood.

Samuel M. Joy.

On Saturday morning the remains of Samuel M. Joy, a former Portsmouth resident, who died in Auburn, Me., were brought to this city for interment in Harmony Grove Cemetery. A delegation from St. Andrews Lodge, No. 55, A. P. and A. M., consisting of Frank Jenneke, William C. Philbrick, Lawrence Peyser and James H. Smith, met the body at the railroad station and acted as pallbearers.

## TROUBLE WITH CIVILIAN CREWS

Washington, Dec. 16.—Immediate legislation to bring the crews of the army transports, mine planters, cable steamers and munition steamers under military service, was recommended by Quartermaster General Sharpe in his annual report made public tonight. He points out the continued difficulty with the civilian crews and the cases where additional money had to be granted before they would sail and also the lack of the necessary discipline. On April of this year the crew of the army transport 'Thomas' refused to leave the dock until they had been given more pay, claiming that they would enlist in the naval reserves.

## LEGAL ADVISORY BOARD

The Legal Advisory Board for Division No. 1 for the County of Rockingham on the new draft law has organized as follows:

Legal Advisory Board for Division No. 1 for the County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire.  
Hon. Edward H. Adams, Chairman, 5 Market St., Portsmouth, will serve for Newington, New Castle and Portsmouth—Ward 4. Albert R. Hatch, Esq., 15 Pleasant St., Portsmouth, will serve for Greenland and Stratham.

Associate members will serve as follows:  
Hon. L. G. Hoyt, Kingston and East Kingston.  
Howell M. Lamprey, Hampton and North Hampton.

Walter E. Farmer, Hampton Falls.  
Stewart B. Rowe, Kensington.  
Hon. I. T. George, Newmarket, and Newfields.  
Irving M. Heath, Newton.  
Albion Sprague, Plaistow.  
Arthur E. Sewall, Portsmouth—Ward 1.

Harry W. Peyser, Samuel W. Emery, Hon. Thomas H. Stines, Portsmouth—Ward 2.  
John J. Sullivan, Harold N. Smith, Portsmouth—Ward 3.

Ralph C. Gray, Portsmouth—Ward 5.  
Hon. Thomas H. Stines, Rye.  
Elsworth Brown, Seabrook.  
E. O. Towle, South Hampton.

The members can be found during their office hours at their respective offices for any information which holders of questionnaires may require. For those who wish information and who are unable to meet any of the members during the day time, there will be some member of the Board at the Probate Office at the Court House on State street between seven and nine o'clock each evening except holidays.

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## CHAMPION WRESTLER GOTCH DEAD

(By Associated Press)

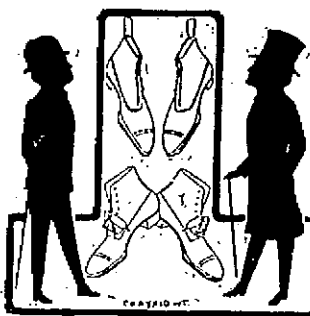
Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 16.—Frank A. Gotch of Humbolt, died here today after an illness of two years with eumenic poisoning. He won the heavy weight title in 1908 when he defeated George Hackenschmidt, who forfeited the match after 2 hours and 8 minutes, a match which wrestling experts claim was the greatest contest in the history of the sport. Gotch lost nine pounds and his tongue was so swollen that he was unable to talk for a long time after.

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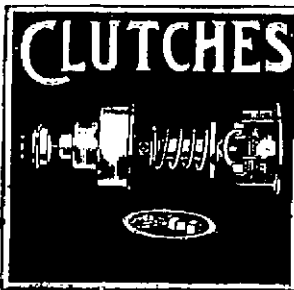
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## NEGROES PUT UP GUN FIGHT WITH POLICE

(By Associated Press)

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 16.—A gun fight lasting three hours between the police and a negro club took place here this morning with several injured, and two of the negroes likely to die. The fight started at two o'clock and lasted until eight. Redgate and four patrolmen forced their way into the club house and overpowered the negroes with revolvers. They arrested 105 men and women.

A white man complained to the police that he had been roughly handled at the club house and the police started to raid it but they were met with a volley of shots. They returned and with riot guns fired into the windows keeping the negroes back. In the meantime Supt. Redgate found a rear entrance and with four patrolmen forced his way in and five men did not surrender until they had exhausted their ammunition. Of the 105 arrested twelve were white women and twelve white men, the rest negro men and women.

## NEW METHOD OF RAISING SUNKEN VESSELS

(By Associated Press)

Havana, Dec. 16.—A successful public demonstration was given of raising a sinking vessel at Regla, across the bay from Havana today and was witnessed by a large crowd. The 62-ton two-masted schooner Regla was brought to the surface by the new process.

Four specially constructed tanks were used, two on each side, in two were water and the other two acid, and after they were affixed to the hull by divers, the valves between the tanks were turned by means of ropes and the acid mixing with the water brought the craft to the surface.

## MORE BLAME FOR SEC. BAKER

Washington, Dec. 15.—Major General Crozier, testifying today before the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, declared "civilian executive supervisors" hindered the progress of a constructive war programme by in-

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variably reducing funds allowed by Congress. Appropriations recommended by the army general staff and the ordnance chief, he said, seldom were received in the photo.

"The result has been a reduction in ordnance production," he said, "and is chargeable, therefore, to executive action and not to the ordnance bureau." Committee members were said to agree with his contention.

The greatest deficiency, he said, was in heavy ordnance, largely due to the time necessary for its manufacture.

Say Congress is Liberal

Chairman Chamberlain, of the committee, and other members, said that while Congress seldom was supplied with the original recommendations of the general staff or bureau chiefs, the appropriations made generally were larger than those requested by the Secretary of War.

General Crozier, in dealing with the present ordnance supplies, assured the committee that the American forces overseas have an ample supply of artillery, and that there would be adequate ordnance equipment for all troops sent to France.

General Crozier will be recalled Monday and his further examination, Chairman Chamberlain said, probably will be in open session.

Representative Oliver of Alabama, chairman of the sub-committee of the House Naval Affairs Committee, said today he intended to conduct the hearing publicly as far as it would be consistent with the public interest.

"I will call the committee together Monday," he said, "to discuss the method of procedure and to fix the time for beginning the investigation. We hope to get started the early part of the week."

Give all Information

"There is no disposition on the part of Secretary Daniels or other officials of the Navy Department to withhold any information that may answer the question of what the navy has done to hold up its end of the war. We expect to go into everything that will show what is going on and what has been done by the navy and all its departments."

"The purpose of the inquiry is not to cast discredit upon the navy, but rather to ascertain just how far it has been able to proceed with its work with the view of finding out whether there is need for additional action by Congress."

## NOT IN REGULAR QUOTA

The quota of twelve men from this district who have been called to report here on Wednesday are to leave for Fort Williams, Portland Harbor, the following day, is not the last eleven percent of the draft quota, but an extra call, made by the government to fill the coast artillery regiments.

The final fifteen percent for Camp Devens will be sent whenever called, to close up the full quota made from the first draft.

Chairman Marvin of the local war board said Saturday that while this was an extra quota called, the eleven men called to Camp Devens would also be called whenever it was required by the government, but this district would be given credit for these twelve men to be sent to Fort Williams on the next draft. The district would also be given credit for all of the men from this district who were on the draft list, who have volunteered since the last quota was called, but this would also apply on the next call.

The calling of an "extra quota" is something new and it is a thing that the government is likely to do at any time to fill up the different regiments, although there is little likelihood of it being done right off owing to the fact that there has been over 70,000 men volunteer during the past week, enough to take care of the holes in the regular and national guard regiments.

The war board got all of their questionnaires into the mail on time and this week the men in the draft list will be busy filling them out and for this reason they will have the advice of the staff of legal advisors who have volunteered their services for this work.

Everybody, who's rejected in the

## NEW OFFICERS REACH CAMP DEVENS

Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., Dec. 16.

There was rejoicing in camp yesterday with the advent of 300 commissioned officers, majors, captains and lieutenants graduated from the last training camp at Plattsburg. Every automobile was pressed into service to bring them to division headquarters with their bags, trunks and bedding.

The snow-filled road to camp had not been plowed, but once inside camp the machines rolled swiftly to the hill where the flag marks the headquarters building. Bags and bundles were dropped on the snow and the new officers formed in line, extending from the roadway up the steps to the office of the adjutant.

Each man carried a copy of his orders to report to the division commander. As soon as he registered a temporary assignment was given for either infantry or artillery. They then went to the stations of the different regiments where they were received by the colonels and assigned quarters.

Work awaits every new officer, plenty of it. The officers who have been staggering under the mass of "paper work"—all their wits end to find time to attend all the schools and drill the soldiers—see 100 things which the new arrivals can take off their hands.

Fifty soldiers have been discharged from soldier duty to return to civilian life as workers in plants which are supplying the government things vital to the conduct of the war. These men have been dropped from the rolls of the 30th Infantry regiment and have gone to Waterbury, New Haven, Bridgeport, Norwalk and Danbury. The action resulted from the complaint of the industries handling government contracts that the men were vital to the successful filling of orders for munitions, automobiles and auto trucks. Each man is supposed to have been drafted when he was engaged in this work. Visits to Washington and to Col. J. S. Herron and Brig.-Gen. Wetzel preceded the discharges.

Newington, Dec. 16.—Mr. Everett of Kittery has moved his family into the house which was recently vacated by Mrs. Elsie Drowne.

Four new pupils will attend school this coming week.

The cold weather of the past week has been very intense nearing the zero mark and the snow has filled up the road and in many places are high drifts.

The many friends of Miss Mattie Coleman were sorry to hear of the accident which caused her to fracture her wrist and hope that the time will not be long before she can use it again.

Mrs. Sillman Packard, Mrs. B. Hoyt, Mrs. Pryor and Mrs. Herbert Hagedorn attended the New Hampshire Council State Grange meeting which was held in Concord last week.

Mrs. Eliza Hoyt is passing the winter in Portsmouth.

Doris Beane has returned to her studies at Smith's College at Northampton, Mass.

Mr. P. Moody is staying for a time with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Coleman.

Mr. Cyrus Print is having some repair work done by Mr. Moody to some of his buildings.

Several pupils are absent from school because they have the whooping cough.

Sunday the police blotter was clean and Saturday night there were five drunks taken in out of the cold.

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## MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTED

The medical advisory boards for New Hampshire under the new draft regulations have been appointed by President Wilson on recommendations of Governor Keyes, as follows:

Portsmouth District: Drs. Fred S. Towle, Thomas W. Luce, John J. Berry, and Edwin C. Blaisdell, all of Portsmouth.

Exeter District: Drs. William H. Nute, Herbert C. Day, William B. Kenniston and Charles H. Gerrish all of Exeter.

Governor Keyes has sent letters to these gentlemen informing them of their appointment and explaining their duties, in part as follows:

"The purpose of these boards is to assist the local boards in making decisions on any doubtful cases that come before them in relation to the physical condition of a registrant, and the Local Board may refer such doubtful cases to the nearest Advisory Board. Or on case a registrant is not satisfied with the decision of the Local Board, he may, of his own motion, appear before the Advisory Board, and the Advisory Board after examination will make to the Local Board a report of their opinion concerning the case."

"These Medical Advisory boards do not have final decision in regard to the case, but are, as their name implies, intended to aid and advise, for the purpose of arriving at a correct decision, both the Local Boards and the registrants. They have been placed as far as possible, at points that would be conveniently available for any registrant who may need to appear before them, and also with relation to hospital facilities for making any special type of examination that the cases examined may call for."

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**SOLDIERS BURNED IN GUARD HOUSE**

(By Associated Press)

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 16.—E. P. Gallagher of Monhall, Pa., W. K. Kramer of Detroit, and D. W. F. Willey of Royford, Ill., all members of the 113 aero corps, were burned to death today when the guard house in which they were confined was destroyed. The fire is thought to have been started from the gas formed from burning tarred paper in a small stove which the men were using to heat the guard house. Kramer was alive when rescued but died at the hospital.

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**FOR RENT—The third floor over Chas. W. Green's store, next to A. G. Brewer's Bldg., also the basement. The upper floor would make an excellent photograph gallery or tin shop. Inquire at this office. ho 23, 1f.**

**FOR SALE—Household furniture at 114 Cabot street. ho d10, 1w.**

**FOR SALE—One-half h. p. motor. Apply Christian Shore Building Co., 47 Albany street. ho d17, 1f.**

**DON'T throw away your old carpets. Have them made into durable Peerless rugs. Send for catalogue. Representative will be in town Thursday. Will call for carpet. R. L. Smith, Art. Peerless Rug Works, Newburyport, Mass. ho d8, 1f.**

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**FOR SALE—One very good show case and wall fixtures. Apply at this office.**

**FOR SALE—Horse ten years old, weighs 1200 lbs. Good bargain if sold at once. Owner drafted. Apply 78 Congress street or 129 Market St., Portsmouth, N. H. ho 1w d11.**

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**FOR SALE—Corner lot on West street. Apply to M. E. Morrill, 36 West street. ho d4, 1w.**

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**LOST—Nov. 14th, a silver pin set with moonstone and scroll work, either in New Castle or between Portsmouth and New Castle. Valued for association. Finder please return to the BAT-AVILLIE RESTAURANT, New Castle, N. H., and receive reward. ho 1w d11.**

**LOST—On Saturday, Dec. 15, a knitting bag containing articles, either on Court, Middle, Pleasant or Bridge streets. Finder return to this office. Reward. ho d17, 3f.**

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### CHURCH COLLECTION FOR HALIFAX RELIEF

A collection for the Halifax Relief was taken up at all of the churches of this city on Sunday and it added a good sum to the funds.

At the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rev. Fr. Sullivan the rector, made a stirring appeal at all of the masses for the relief and the sum that was received was a generous one. At all of the other churches the

phatons spoke of the relief and the offering at at least one of the services was given to the relief.

MAY BE IN LAUNDRY BUSINESS.

There are said to be four Chinamen owning farms in New Hampshire, but we didn't see anything of them at the State Grange meeting in this city.—Concord Monitor.

Why not look them up? They are probably running a laundry for the winter.

Supt. W. A. Hodgdon, and his assistant Gerald A. Cullen, did good work following the storm.

## FIVE-YEAR-OLD CHILD BURNED AT NORTH END

Was Playing With Matches  
When Clothing Took Fire;  
Recovery Doubtful.

David Smith, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith of 252 Market street, was horribly burned this morning at the family home. The child's mother had left the house for a short period and on her return found the clothing of the young one wrapped in flames. She was quite severely burned herself in her efforts to save the child which was removed to the Portsmouth hospital. His recovery is doubtful.

### LADIES TO GIVE MINSTREL SHOW

There will be a minstrel show given by the ladies at Grange hall, Elliot, Tuesday evening. Arrangements have been made to run a special car from the ferry at 7 o'clock, and the car will leave the hall after the performance, so the transportation problem has been solved. A good show and a large crowd is assured.

### THE HERALD HEARS

That Frank McMahon who has been an active member of the Board of Health, is not a candidate for re-election.

That the Boston and Maine announces an embargo on coal.

That an embargo on coal at this stage of the game is about the limit.

That there is considerable difference when one is left waiting at the church.

That the bride-to-be gets busy right off quick with a breach of promise.

That the man, if left waiting, becomes a gawk and is taken as a joke.

That a 300 pound cake is going to be sent from New York to the soldiers in Paris.

That if it was constructed under the war bread regulations, the soldier boys will not be affected with indigestion from its ingredients.

That a Portland woman was arrested at Kennebunk and tried in the court for illegal possession of liquor.

That when the police got her she was wearing men's pants and frack coat with 15 pockets.

That every pocket contained a bottle.

That George W. Lythgoe, a former Portsmouth newspaper man is now employed on the staff of the Boston Advertiser.

That according to our old friend the Farmer's Almanac, winter begins Dec. 22.

That the almanac can have it any way it wants, but we have evidence that winter had made a good beginning long before the fall season expired.

That according to the 1918 calendar, New Year's day will fall on Tuesday; Valentine's day, Thursday; Washington's birthday on Friday; Good Friday, March 31; Patriot's day, April 19; on Friday; May day on Wednesday; Memorial day on Thursday; Bunker Hill day, June 17, on Monday; Fourth of July falls on Thursday; Labor day, Monday, Sept. 2; Columbus day, Oct. 12, on Saturday; Thanksgiving day, November 29, and Christmas day on Wednesday.

That it is not all harmony for a meatless day in Portsmouth among the eating house proprietors.

### CONDUCTOR INJURED ON BARTLETT STREET

Caught Between Bridge Abutment and Electric Car  
Early This Morning.

Edwin L. Taylor, a conductor on the Portsmouth Electric Railway, was injured early this morning on Bartlett street. He was caught between the abutment of the overhead bridge and an electric car and jammed about the ribs and hips. He was removed to his home on Park street and Dr. John J. Berry called. The injury is not considered serious.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We take this opportunity to express our deepest thanks to all those who in any way helped to lighten our grief and sorrow through our recent loss of a beloved one, especially those who so faithfully came during his last illness. Mrs. George S. Ewen, Edward C. Ewen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Ewen.

### ICE MAN ON EASY STREET

The recent cold spell has put the ice man on "easy street" so far as the first crop is concerned. However, there is more than one dealer who will have his troubles in securing the necessary help to cut and store the ice. This will probably be one of the so-

cial excuses to be offered in the summer of 1918 for the advance in price.

### LOCAL DASHES

Fine Christmas weather. Fish of all kinds at Clark's Branch. Tel. 133.

The very drum your boy wants is at Montgomery's.

Chevrolet automobiles at C. E. Woods, Bow street.

It is some winter thus far, and the worse is yet to come.

It is not too late to leave Christmas flaming orders at Montgomery's.

Local people are saving coal all right—because they cannot get any.

Seven below zero for Dec. 16 establishes a new record for this city.

The Elks held a meeting for initiation of members on Sunday afternoon.

Xmas post cards, 8 for 5c at Pearson's.

The Elks are to give out their usual generous Christmas baskets this year.

The fire alarm striker of the Manchester, fire department has been condemned.

Sheehan's dancing school, Monday night at Pythian hall. Uniformed men welcome.

You should see and hear the Ariola before buying a phonograph. Montgomery sells it.

The community war work committee will meet at the Army and Navy building Monday evening.

Upholsterers of antique and modern furniture. Hair mattresses renovated. Marjesson Bros., Tel. 570.

There was a meeting of the executive committee of the Red Cross on Sunday afternoon with routine work.

The Warwick club observes its annual meeting and anniversary celebration on Monday evening.

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Word has been received of the death of Frank Junkins of Saugus, Mass., formerly of this city, after a short illness of pneumonia. Services will be held at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. H. Smith, 65 Rogers street, Tuesday at 3 p. m.

U. S. COURT IMPOSES FINES ON FORMER NAVY YARD WORKMEN

Cases Against Hurley, Walker and Brown Disposed of at Portland.

The United States district court at Portland on Saturday disposed of the cases against Dwight Walker and Austin Brown of Kittery, and Andrew Hurley of this city indicted for larceny of metal from the Portsmouth navy yard. Hurley was fined the sum of \$50 and Walker and Brown \$35 each.

PETITIONS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT

At the session of York county probate court at Biddeford on Friday last petition for administration was presented in the estate of Clara J. Randall, late of Kittery, which is estimated at \$1,000. A petition to sell real estate was presented for notice in the estate of Ellen Martin, late of Kittery. Account was presented in the estate of John W. Thompson, late of York; Miranda A. Dixon of Kittery, guardian. Inventory filed in the estate of Charles O. Hobbs, late of South Berwick, \$4,000 real, \$1,287 goods and chattels, \$11,449.50 rights and credits.

ORCHESTRA TO ASSIST CHOIR

The choir of the Church of the Immaculate Conception will be assisted by an orchestra of eight pieces for the musical portion of the services at the high mass on Christmas day.

TRAINING FOR COMMISSION.

John B. Wright of this city has reported at the airplane school at Technology, Boston, to train for a commission in the aviation branch of the army.

### PORTLAND POLICE SEIZE LIQUOR

Man Bound From This City to Bath Heavily Loaded Arrested En Route.

While on his way from this city to his home in Bath, Andrew Michlounk was arrested by the police of Portland, and when the man arrived in that city Saturday noon he had eight quarts of whisky, a ticket home, but no money, according to what he told the liquor deputies. Now he is minus the booze for it was taken by Deputy Hunt and Castleton when the train arrived and Michlounk was arrested.

### WANT STOCKHOLDERS TO LEASE PROPERTY

Portsmouth Fair Asso. Would Take Over Southern N. H. Fair Asso.

At the next meeting of the Southern New Hampshire Fair Association to be held on Dec. 27, a vote will be taken by the stockholders regarding the lease of the property to the Portsmouth Fair Association. The new corporation asks permission to take over the same for a term of five years.

### LOST ON THE RIVER.

Lost, Thursday night, on the river, a cover of life preserver box, painted lead color on one side, 24 ft. long. Reward if returned to James K. Heardman, Kittery, Me. R d14, R

The Red Cross drives for members starts today and everybody should consider it an honor to wear the button.

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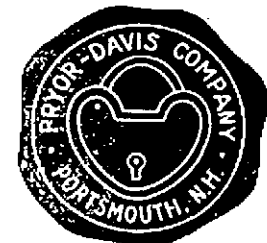


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Mother o' mine, mother o' mine!  
I know whose tears would come down to me,  
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Mother o' mine, mother o' mine!  
I know whose prayers would make me whole,  
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